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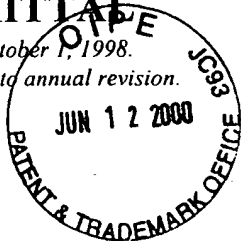
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09/385,812

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Title

ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION

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- ◆ Return Postcard
- ◆ Notification of Small Entity Status (1 page)
- ◆ Signed Revocation of Power of Attorney (1 page)
- ◆ Signed Power of Attorney/Declaration (1 page)
- ◆ Signed Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) (1 page)

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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	78	202	39	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	260	204	130	Multiple dependent claim
109	78	209	39	Reissue independent claims over original patent
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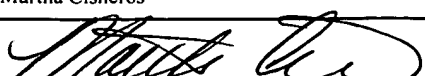
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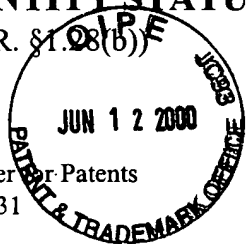
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.28(b), notice is hereby given that the U.S. patent identified above is no longer entitled to status as a small entity, and the claim for small entity status, set forth in the verified statement filed on August 30, 1999, is hereby withdrawn.

Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815.

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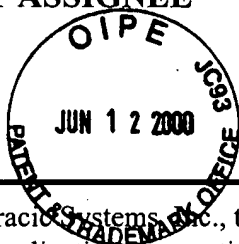


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Examiner Name (Group Art Unit)	Unassigned (3731)
Title: ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION	

CardioThoracic Systems, Inc., the assignee by assignment in U.S. Serial No. 08/903,516, of which the above-identified application is a continuation, was recorded on March 30, 1998, hereby revoke all previous powers and appoint:

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I declare that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above referenced application or any patent resulting from that application.

Name and Company	Ronald D. Devore, Cardiothoracic Systems, Inc.		
Title	Assistant Secretary		
Signature		Date	May 3, 2000

STATEMENT UNDER

37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)



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